

Abstract of the Disclosure

A method for evaluating near-term suicidal risk by analysis of a series of spoken words includes converting the spoken series of words into a signal having characteristics indicative of said words as spoken, dynamically monitoring said signal to detect changes therein and identifying the person as having a relatively high near-term risk of suicide on the basis of such monitored changes in the signal relative to the speech of individuals in good mental health having no near-term suicidal risk.

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